

REMARKS

This Amendment is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed September 12, 2003. All objections and rejections are respectfully traversed. Reconsideration and further examination of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

Claims 43-50 are pending in the case. Claims 1, 2, 4-27 and 32-42 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 43-50 have been added. The added claims contain the same or similar subject matter as, for example, previously pending claims 25 and 42, and are of equivalent or broader scope than originally filed claims 1-12. Accordingly, newly added claims 43-50 are not narrowing amendments with respect to the application's previously presented claims.

On pages 2 and 3 in the final Office action, claims 1, 2, 4-27 and 32-42 were rejected for a variety of reasons. Applicants respectfully submit that these rejections should be removed since claims 1, 2, 4-27 and 32-42 have been canceled and are no longer pending. Applicants further submit that the newly added claims 43-50 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and early favorable action is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,



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